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OrthoHelix™ Surgical Design, Inc Receives Clearance from FDA for SharkLock™ Cannulated Screw System.

Akron, Ohio – March 15, 2006 - OrthoHelix Surgical Design, Inc. received 510k clearance from the Food and Drug Administration on the SharkLock™ Cannulated Screw System.

The SharkLock Cannulated Screw System is a series of implantable bone fixation screws. Its intended use is to stabilize and aid in the fixation of fractures and osteotomies involving long and small bones.

“This self-tapping screw has been specifically designed to maximize the thread depth to improve overall compression and pull out strength.” Stated Dr. Jeffery Johnson of Barnes Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, MO. The system includes 4.0mm, 5.5mm, and 7.0mm color coded screws in various lengths with corresponding contoured washers.

Through multiple testing methods including mechanical, the SharkLock Screws proved superior to a current market leader in its strength to withstand stress from torque. Dr. Johnson further stated; “Other unique design features of the screws include several types of contoured washers for use in osteopenic bone and a rounded tip to minimize the snagging of soft tissue during insertion and to reduce tendon abrasion.”

OrthoHelix Surgical Designs, Inc. is an early stage medical device company developing a comprehensive line of implants and instruments for use in hand and foot reconstructive surgery. Our mission is to develop and deliver innovative orthopedic implants and instruments that elevate the art of small bone surgery.

Our executive team brings over 70 years of successful orthopedic industry experience and is backed by an elite Medical Advisory Board whose membership consist of the nations top surgeons practicing in the hand/wrist, foot/ankle and podiatry surgery. “Surgeons Speak. We DELIVER.”™

The OrthoHelix product line is based on a portfolio of patent and patent pending designs that will offer the most complete and innovative line of specialized implants and instruments. For more information please contact OrthoHelix™ at 1-866-90 HELIX or email; info@orthohelix.com.
